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1. Project Description

A. Statement of GO Activity

This project would be for Frank Raines Off-Highway Vehicle Park. It is located on Del Puerto Canyon Road approximately 18 miles west of the City of Patterson. There is approximately 750 acres in the lower OHV Park that encompasses the park entrance station, a full hook up campground, recreation hall, restroom/showers, and a group picnic shelter. There is an additional 482 acres in the upper area, which has been officially closed to OHV use pending further studies. The types of vehicles used at the park are Quad's/Atv's, motorcycles, 4-wheel drive vehicles and dune buggies.

Stanislaus County, Department of Parks and Recreation, is requesting a Ground Operations (GO) Grant for Frank Raines Regional Off-Highway Vehicle Park, for routine maintenance and improvements to the existing facilities. Customer service including health and safety for the visitors of the park is one of our main goals.

For on-going operations and maintenance at the Frank Raines OHV Park, the County needs to fund a full-time Maintenance Worker III and a Maintenance Worker I, plus two additional Park Aides full time. Their responsibilities are as follows:

Fee collection Cleaning bathrooms

Mowing Edging

Maintaining kiosks Supporting volunteers

Trash collection Campground improvements

Establishing traffic control Purchasing small tools and cleaning Supplies

Replacing sign boards Water system maintenance and testing

Electrical repairs Rules Enforcement

Repairs to the recreational hall Enhance emergency response

The Ground Operations (GO) grant would enable Stanislaus County to enhance and protect the existing OHV opportunity as well as provide new opportunities and protect resources.

B. Relation of Proposed Project to OHV Recreation

This project relates to OHV opportunity by maintaining the existing areas of recreation, keeping the campsites functional and clean, maintaining the landscaping, providing clean bathrooms, supporting the efforts of our volunteers, answering questions regarding usage of the OHV park, and repairing areas that need attention. The Department of Parks and Recreation is responsible for all management and maintenance such as fixing sewage pumps, the Recreation Hall usage/rental, any repairs that needs to be done to the stove, locks on the door or cleaning and stocking the rest rooms. We also maintain trails and road tread, erosion control features and enforcing traffic control.

There are numerous private property owners who border the park. They have voiced their opinions in our Master Development Plan meetings that they would like to see full time staff at the park to assist the users in the following ways: making clear the boundaries of what is open and closed at the park, preventing illegal riding / trespassing, keeping the noise levels down, preventing vandalism, and making sure the visitors to the park are complying with County ordinances.

This project is designed for efficient use of OHV Trust Funds. With a full time maintenance team on the hill we have developed regular maintenance schedules that have reduced overall maintenance costs. On going, long term projects could be scheduled and completed eliminating the need for costly, one-time clean-ups. The park is located in a remote area and in the past when we have not had coverage, we experienced a lot of vandalism. They break the windows in the Recreational Hall, jam the locks, graffiti the bathrooms and break the hose bibs. With this grant funding we could continue to reduce the vandalism at the park.

C. Size of the Project

There is approximately 750 acres that are open for riding in the lower OHV Park in addition to the full hook up campground that encompasses the park entrance station, undeveloped campsites, day use areas, emergency heli-pad, recreation hall, restrooms/showers, and a group picnic shelter. There is an additional 750 acres in the upper area, which has been officially closed to OHV use pending further studies, although we must still maintain Fire Roads and easment accesses.

D. Location and description of OHV opportunities

Frank Raines OHV Park and Deercreek Campgrounds is located approx. 18 miles west of the City of Patterson. There are approximately 750 acres that are open for riding in the lower OHV Park in addition to the full hook up campground that encompasses the park entrance station, undeveloped campsites, day use areas, emergency heli-pad, recreation hall, restrooms/showers, and a group picnic shelter. We offer a multi-use, non-segregated OHV opportunity that includes 4x4's, Buggies, Quad's and ATV's as well as Motorcycles. We also offer a unique riding terrain with varying difficulties. We have a fully fenced beginner flat track. This area provides a location for kids to learn the basics without them riding around in the campground which creates safety concerns. It has a covered barn for parents to relax under while still watching and coaching their children in a controlled environment. Once the kids are off their training wheels and have some experience under their belts they can ride on the Fire Road that is wide and well groomed to one of our two plateau areas. Both wide open with plenty of room, one offers a junior track, still for beginners. Beyond that, we have lower areas of the park that are fairly flat with some rolling hills. But for some of the more aggressive riders, we offer a couple of mud pits, steep hill climbs and some trails that are quite treacherous.

2. Rerouting Requirements

Rerouting

(a) Does your project involve rerouting of any roads and trails? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If response to question (a) is 'Yes', a Project timeline, conceptual drawings and site plans are required (See 'Attachments' tab at the top of the screen)

If response to question (a) is 'No', skip details related to rerouting

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1. **Project Timeline (Required if project includes necessary rerouting)**
2. **Conceptual Drawings and Site Plans (Required if project includes necessary rerouting)**

3 **Project-Specific Maps**

Attachments:

[Trail Map](#)

[Frank Raines Day Park](#)

[Minnear Day Use Area](#)

4. **Optional Project-Specific Application Documents**

Attachments:

[Pictures of Frank Raines OHV Park](#)

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
 Agency: Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation Department
 Application: Ground Operations - Frank Raines

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APPLICANT NAME :	Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation Department		
PROJECT TITLE :	Ground Operations - Frank Raines	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Senior Maintenance Worker	2080.000	43.700	HRS	68,172.00	22,724.00	90,896.00
	Park Maintenance Worker	2080.000	39.120	HRS	61,027.00	20,343.00	81,370.00

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
	Seasonal Maintenance Worker	1040.000	13.720	HRS	10,702.00	3,567.00	14,269.00
	Seasonal Maintenance Worker	1040.000	13.720	HRS	10,702.00	3,567.00	14,269.00
	Total for Staff				150,603.00	50,201.00	200,804.00
2	Contracts						
	Other-Heavy Equipment and Operator	12.000	3335.000	MOS	30,015.00	10,005.00	40,020.00
	Other-Bridgework	1.000	50000.000	EA	37,500.00	12,500.00	50,000.00
	Total for Contracts				67,515.00	22,505.00	90,020.00
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Maintenance	1.000	5000.000	YR	3,750.00	1,250.00	5,000.00
	Other-Iron Ranger	1.000	600.000	YR	450.00	150.00	600.00
	Janitorial	1.000	750.000	YR	562.50	187.50	750.00
	Other-Office Supplies	1.000	2500.000	YR	1,875.00	625.00	2,500.00
	Other-signs	1.000	2000.000	YR	1,500.00	500.00	2,000.00
	Water System Chlorine	1.000	2000.000	YR	1,500.00	500.00	2,000.00
	Total for Materials / Supplies				9,637.50	3,212.50	12,850.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Other-4x4 Trucks	3.000	3000.000	EA	6,750.00	2,250.00	9,000.00
	Other-ATV's	2.000	1000.000		1,500.00	500.00	2,000.00
	Total for Equipment Use Expenses				8,250.00	2,750.00	11,000.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
	Other-Small Equipment	1.000	5000.000	YR	3,750.00	1,250.00	5,000.00
	Other-Pumping water Trailer	1.000	8000.000	YR	6,000.00	2,000.00	8,000.00

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	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
	Total for Equipment Purchases				9,750.00	3,250.00	13,000.00
6	Others						
	Utilities Notes : Increased by 15% from last years total of \$8,000	1.000	9200.000	YR	6,900.00	2,300.00	9,200.00
	Other-Telephone Notes : Increase of 15% from last years total of \$800.00	1.000	920.000	YR	690.00	230.00	920.00
	Other-Internet Notes : Increase of 15% over last years cost of \$800.00	1.000	920.000	YR	690.00	230.00	920.00
	Total for Others				8,280.00	2,760.00	11,040.00
7	Administrative Costs						
	Total Program Expenses				254,035.50	84,678.50	338,714.00
	TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES				254,035.50	84,678.50	338,714.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES				254,035.50	84,678.50	338,714.00

Project Cost Summary for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2008/2009
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	Line Item	Grant Request	Match	Total	Narrative
DIRECT EXPENSES					
Program Expenses					
1	Staff	150,603.00	50,201.00	200,804.00	
2	Contracts	67,515.00	22,505.00	90,020.00	
3	Materials / Supplies	9,637.50	3,212.50	12,850.00	
4	Equipment Use Expenses	8,250.00	2,750.00	11,000.00	
5	Equipment Purchases	9,750.00	3,250.00	13,000.00	
6	Others	8,280.00	2,760.00	11,040.00	
7	Administrative Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Program Expenses		254,035.50	84,678.50	338,714.00	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES		254,035.50	84,678.50	338,714.00	
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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. ITEM 2 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- c. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No
- d. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 3 – 9

ITEM 3 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

The Ground Operations work that is being conducted on existing trails and roads is not near wetlands, navigable waters or sensitive habitats at Frank Raines Regional Park.

ITEM 4 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

Stanislaus County has filed a "Notice of Exemption" - Categorical Exemption section number 15301 which states, "consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment..." Frank Raines will be involved in strictly the operations and maintenance of the Off-Highway Vehicle Parks facility. There is not cumulative impact due to the Ground Operations work that is being done only on existing trails and roads.

ITEM 5 - Soil Impacts

The Ground Operations work that is being conducted is on existing roads and trails that have no unusual terrain circumstances.

ITEM 6 - Damage to Scenic Resources

Frank Raines Regional Park is not within the view shed of a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.

ITEM 7 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 8 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the potential impacts and for any substantially adverse changes in the significance of historical or cultural resources and measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the impacts.

ITEM 9 - Indirect Significant Impacts

The ground operation project will have no indirect significant impacts. Our focus is on the general operations and maintenance of the park.

CEQA/NEPA Attachment

Attachments:

[Frank Raines Notice of Exemption](#)

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1. Project Cost Estimate - Q 1. (Auto populates from Cost Estimate)

1. As calculated on the Project Cost Estimate, the percentage of the cost of the Project covered by the Applicant is 0

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☐ 76% or more (10 points)
☐ 51% - 75% (5 points)
☐ 26% - 50% (3 points)
☒ 25% (Match minimum) (No points)

2. Failure to Complete - Q 2.

2. Failure to complete the Project would result in: 8

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 8 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Loss of OHV Opportunity (6 points)
☐ Negative impact to cultural sites (2 points)
☐ Damage to special-status species or other sensitive habitat (2 points)
☒ Potential trespass (2 points)
☒ Additional damage to Facilities (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

Without grant funding for Gound Operations, the County may no longer afford to fully staff the park. With the potenial for trespass and the resulting litigation from neighboring private property owners, as well as damage due to vandalizm, - the County may be forced to reduce the number of days the park would be open.

3. Sustain OHV Opportunity - Q 3.

3. The Project would sustain OHV Opportunity by 13

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Maintaining trail or road tread (5 points)
☒ Installing or repairing erosion control features (3 points)
☒ Providing traffic control and/or educational signage (3 points)
☒ Maintaining multi use (ATV, Dirt Bikes, 4x4, etc) (1 point)
☒ Providing varied levels of riding difficulty (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

Maintenance of the trail and road tread are currently performed with a CAT D3 , a New Holland 545 w/box scrapper and the help of a volunteer. We are looking into new equipment to be more efficient and more productive. Current erosion control features include culverts, bridge and water bars, all of which need constant maintenance to remain functional. Past O&M grants have provided us the opportunity to replace damaged and faded traffic control and educational signage. Continued grant funding will help maintain a safe and healthy environment for our guests.

Frank Raines prides itself on being a multi-use OHV experience. Many of the families come here because this is one of the few parks that allows different vehicle types to ride together. The park offers varying levels of riding difficulty, for example; steep treacherous trails, hill climbs, large flat plateaus, a well-groomed fire road, and fenced flat track for begginers.

4. Public Input - Q 4.

4. The Project was developed with public input employing the following 2

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 2 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project (1 point)
- ☐ Conference call(s) with interested parties (1 point)
- ☒ Meeting(s) with stakeholders (1 point)

Explain each statement that was checked

We have spoken informally to the user groups and stakeholders concerning the parks general and future direction. This includes the resources devoted to the park as well as the day to day operations. We will also be scheduling a formal meeting with all interested parties to discuss this grant and future possibilities.

5. Utilization of Partnerships - Q 5.

5. The Project will utilize partnerships to successfully accomplish the Project. The number of partner organizations that will participate in the Project are 4

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

- ☒ 4 or more (4 points)
- ☐ 2 to 3 (2 points)
- ☐ 1 (1 point)
- ☐ None (No points)

List partner organization(s):

C.O.R.V.A.
East-Bay Hi-Tailers
Escarabaja Buggy Club
Friends of Frank Raines
Stanislaus County Sheriff's Dept.

6. Impact to Natural and Cultural Resources - Q 6.

6. The Project will avoid and/or minimize impact to natural and cultural resources by 5

(Check all that apply) : Maximum of 7 points (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Maintaining physical barriers to control OHV use (1 point)
- ☒ Protecting water quality (1 point)
- ☒ Providing bridges instead of wet crossings where appropriate (1 point)
- ☐ Protecting special-status species (1 point)
- ☒ Re-routing trails to divert away from riparian/wetlands areas (1 point)
- ☒ Providing sanitary facilities (1 point)
- ☐ Protecting cultural site(s) (1 point)
- ☐ Site design precludes the need for the above measures (7 points)

Explain each statement that was checked

We currently maintain barriers such as 5' No-Climb fencing, barbed wire fence and downed tree trunks.

We recently closed riding to three hill faces that would have allowed sediment to enter a seasonal creek. We will continue to close or reroute areas that may impact water quality.

We currently maintain a bridge at our only entrance/exit point to the OHV area, this bridge will be rebuilt in the near future. Additional wet crossings in the OHV Park will be surveyed to determine if a bridge, culvert or reroute is needed.

One of the main functions of the Ground Operations Grant is the constant maintenance of fully stocked, clean and sanitary facilities for the comfort and health of our guests.

7. Recycled Materials - Q 7.

7. The Project incorporates recycled materials by utilizing 5

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☒ Barrier materials which include recycled content or materials obtained onsite (1 point)
- ☒ Signs, sign posts or education kiosks which use products with recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Erosion control features which use materials with recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Paper used for trail maps which includes recycled content (1 point)
- ☒ Other products with recycled content (Specify) (1 point) [concrete and or asphalt as well as funds from recycle program going back into th]

8. Sustainable Technologies - Q 8.

8. The Project makes substantial use of sustainable technologies such as 4

- Alternative fuel vehicles and equipment
- Renewable energy sources (e.g., solar, wind)
- Low volatile organic compound emission materials (e.g., paint, sealants, carpet)
- Low flow plumbing fixtures
- Water efficient landscaping

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

☐ No (No points)

☒ Yes (4 points)

Explain 'Yes' response

Maintaining a facility such as ours provides us with an opportunity to make substantial use of sustainable technologies. The County is considering renewable energy such as solar powering a cellular relay tower to allow cell phone use at the campground. The Department has also invested in a new water system that allows for aquifer water to be treated via a sand filtration system for potable water use. In addition, the new water system will help redesign the current irrigation, restrooms, and campground usage in a more efficient, conservative manner. Last but not least, all current diesel equipment/vehicles will be using diesel (ULSD), 15ppm.

9. Motorized Access - Q 9.

9. The Project improves and/or maintains facilities that provide motorized access to the following non-motorized recreation opportunities 6

(Check all that apply) Scoring: 2 points each, up to a maximum of 6 points (Please select applicable values)

☒ Camping

☒ Birding

☒ Hiking

☒ Equestrian trails

☐ Fishing

☐ Rock Climbing

☐ Other (Specify)